

REMARKS

In the above-identified Office Action, dependent Claim 6 was stated to be allowable in view of its requirement for a mean pore density, for the porous body required in independent Claim 1, of 1.5×10^{11} pores/cm² or more.

As a result of this acknowledgment, as set forth in the Office Action, Claim 1 has been amended to include the above-referenced mean pore density requirement originally set forth in Claim 6, and that limitation has been deleted from dependent Claim 6. In summary, because the sole independent claim of the application has been amended to include the acknowledged patentable subject matter of Claim 6, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance, wherefore the issuance of a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3939.

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